

REMARKS

Claims 7, 9-11, 16, and 18 have been canceled. Claims 1, 8, 12-15, 17, 20, 23, 26, 33, and 38 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-6, 8, 12-15, 17 and 19-38 are pending.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 18 and 20-32 contain allowable subject matter.

Claim 1, 20, 23, and 26 have been amended in a manner intended to include all of the limitations of claims 18, 20, 23, and 26, respectively, as well as the base claims and any intervening claims. It is therefore believed that claims 1, 20, 23, and 26 are allowable.

Claims 2-6, 8, 12-15, 17, and 19 depend from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claims 21 and 22 depend from claim 20 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claims 24 and 25 depend from claim 23 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claims 27-32 depend from claim 26 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claim 33 recites a system for carrying out the method of claim 26. Therefore, it is believed that claim 33 also is allowable.

Claims 34-37 depend from claim 33 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claim 38 recites program code for carrying out the method of claim 26. Therefore, it is believed that claim 38 also is allowable.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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